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SUBJECT: GAMBIAN NOMINEE FOR COURSE ON "LABOR INTENSIVE
TECHNOLOGY IN COUNTRY DEVELOPMENT"

REF: A) STATE 02199
B) BANJUL 0017

1. EMBASSY HEREBY NOMINATES MR. DADDY SOWE, PRESIDENT, GAMBIA MOTOR DRIVERS, MECHANICS, AND ALLIED WORKERS' UNION, TO ATTEND SUBJECT COURSE. HIS CANDIDACY HAS SUPPORT GOTG.

2. SOWE, BORN BANJUL IN OCTOBER 1937, CURRENTLY RESIDES: 63B PERSEVERENCE ST., BANJUL. MARRIED, HE IS FATHER FOUR CHILDREN, MUSLIM, AND EATS NO PORK. SOWE IS IN GOOD HEALTH AND SPEAKS QUITE GOOD ENGLISH. HE ATTENDED ST. AUGUSTINE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL 1943-51, BUT LACKS FURTHER FORMAL EDUCATION. SOWE SERVED ON GAMBIA POLICE FORCE 1959-64, AND FOR FOLLOWING SIX YEARS WAS TAXI DRIVER. HE BECAME UNION PRESIDENT IN 1970, AND SINCE THEN HAS BEEN FULL TIME LABOR ORGANIZER. SOWE HAS ATTENDED LABOR SEMINARS IN GHANA (1974), NIGERIA (1975), AND SIERRA LEONE (1976) BUT HAS NEVER TRAVELLED
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OUTSIDE WEST AFRICA.

3. ENERGETIC, HARD-WORKING, SELF-MADE MAN, SOWE IS A LEADING LABOR FIGURE IN BANJUL. LOOSELY AFFILIATED WITH GAMBIA WORKERS' UNION OF M.E. JALLOW (COUNTRY'S MAJOR FEDERATION), SOWE'S TRANSPORT WORKERS ARE TAKING INCREASINGLY INDEPENDENT LINE. SOWE'S INNATE INTELLIGENCE, DRIVE, AND OVERALL SHREWDNESS MORE

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THAN COMPENSATE FOR HIS LIMITED FORMAL EDUCATION. EMBASSY, SUPPORTED BY DAKAR REGIONAL LABOR ATTACHE, IS CONVINCED HE WILL BENEFIT GREATLY FROM THIS OPPORTUNITY.

4. PLEASE ADVISE RE OUR ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THIS GRANT, INCLUDING TICKETING, TRAVEL ADVANCE, ETC. IF HE IS TO HAVE "J" VISA, PLEASE FURNISH DSP-66, OR IF WE ARE TO PROVIDE SAME, PLEASE TRANSMIT NECESSARY INFO INCLUDING PARTICULARS PARTS 2, 4, AND 5 OF FORM. WYGANT

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